

REMARKS

Claim Amendment

Claims 88 and 140 are amended by being recast in independent form.

Claim 92 is amended to depend on base Claims 49, 88 or 140.

Claim Objection

The Examiner objected to dependent Claims 88 and 140 because these claims are broader than Claim 49, on which they depend.

Applicants recast Claims 88 and 140 in an independent form, as suggested by the Examiner. This amendment necessitated amending Claim 92 to depend on Claim 49, Claim 88 or Claim 140, in the alternative.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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